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### House Bills

**HB 1078-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kelley, Roach, Kirby, Warnick, Bailey, and Sells)

Concerning exchange facilitators.

**(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)**

Finds that there are no statutory requirements pertaining to persons who facilitate like-kind exchanges pursuant to section 1031 of the internal revenue code and associated treasury regulations.

Declares an intent to create a statutory framework that provides consumer protections to those who entrust money or property to persons acting as exchange facilitators.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.

Feb 19 Referred to General Government Appropriations.

**HB 1149-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Roach, Simpson, Kirby, Dunshee, Nelson, and Ormsby)

Protecting consumers from breaches of security.

**(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)**

Prohibits a person conducting business in Washington that accepts an access device in connection with a transaction from retaining the card security code data, the PIN verification code number, or access device account data other than the cardholder's name, primary account number, expiration date, and service code after the authorization of the transaction or, in the case of a PIN debit transaction, forty-eight hours after authorization of the transaction.

Prohibits a service provider that processes access device transactions for or on behalf of a person who conducts business in Washington from retaining the card security code data, the PIN verification code number, or access device account data other than the cardholder's name, primary account number, expiration date, and service code after the settlement of the transaction or, in the case of a PIN debit transaction, forty-eight hours after authorization of the transaction.

Prescribes penalties.

Provides remedies for a breach of the security of the system occurring after January 1, 2010.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.

Feb 19 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 1234-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Morrell, O'Brien, Appleton,

Kelley, Ericks, Liias, Pedersen, Williams, Kenney, and Moeller)

Creating the new crime of abandonment of a dependent person in the fourth degree.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the new crime of abandonment of a dependent person in the fourth degree.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 28 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 1:30 PM.

Feb 17 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1377-S** by House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade (originally sponsored by Representatives Klippert, Haler, Angel, and Walsh)

Regarding public facilities district formation and authority.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes at least two legislative authorities, one or more of which previously created a public facilities district or districts under section 1(1)(b) or (c) of the act, to create an additional public facilities district notwithstanding the fact that one or more of those towns or cities, with or without a county or counties, previously have created one or more public facilities districts within the geographic boundaries of the additional public facilities district.

Authorizes the new public facilities district, in the agreement providing for its creation and operation, to provide that the district must be governed by a board of directors appointed under section 1 (3)(b) or (c) of the act, or by a board of directors of not more than nine members who are also members of the legislative authorities that created the public facilities district or of the governing boards of the public facilities district or districts, or both, previously created by those legislative authorities.

Prohibits a public facilities district formed under section 1 (1)(e) of the act from imposing a sales and use tax authorized in section 3 (2) of the act at a rate that exceeds two-tenths of one percent minus the rate of the highest tax authorized by section 3 (2) of the act that is imposed by any other public facilities district within its boundaries.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 28 Public hearing in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade at 8:00 AM.

Feb 16 CEDT - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Feb 18 Executive session in the House Committee on Community & Economic Development & Trade at 8:00 AM.

Feb 19 Referred to Finance.

**HB 1416-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Sullivan, Pettigrew, Walsh, Roberts, Haigh, Chase, Seaquist, Ormsby, Miloscia, Kagi, Haler, Hudgins, Morrell, O'Brien, Hinkle, Hunt, Priest, Green, Wallace, Conway, Dickerson, Kenney, Santos, Appleton, Hasegawa, Rolfes,

Williams, Van De Wege, Maxwell, Carlyle, Goodman, Darneille, Simpson, Nelson, Driscoll, Moeller, and White)

Feeding hungry children through school breakfast and lunch programs and summer food service programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the legislature to appropriate funds for allocation to school districts sufficient to eliminate the copayment for breakfast for all students qualifying for reduced-price lunch; and in any school that enrolls students in any of grades preschool through five, eliminate the copayment for lunch for all students qualifying for reduced-price lunch in the school.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Provide state support for summer food service programs, to the extent funds are appropriated; and

(2) Conduct two cycles of grant awards per school year, with a fall cycle of grants of up to twenty thousand dollars to build local capacity to provide summer food service programs and a spring cycle of grants of up to five thousand dollars for expenses related to providing outreach and for planning and administrative tasks associated with initiating a new program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 13 Executive session in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.

Feb 18 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1418-S** by House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Priest, Sullivan, Walsh, Pettigrew, Roberts, Dickerson, Quall, Seaquist, Sells, Appleton, Hunt, Haler, Pedersen, Orwall, Ormsby, Hasegawa, Conway, Kenney, Maxwell, Santos, Probst, Driscoll, Goodman, and Nelson)

Establishing a statewide dropout reengagement system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates a statewide dropout reengagement system to provide appropriate educational opportunities and access to services for students aged sixteen to twenty-one who have dropped out of high school or are not accumulating sufficient credits to reasonably complete a high school diploma in a public school before the age of twenty-one.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction to: (1) Develop statewide model contracts and interlocal agreements for the dropout reengagement system;

(2) Allocate the basic education allocation generated under RCW 28A.150.260 and the student achievement fund allocation under RCW 28A.505.220 for each annual average full-time equivalent eligible student enrolled in a dropout reengagement program directly to the educational service district that has an agreement with the school district, rather than to the school district; and

(3) Provide information on its web site that describes high quality dropout reengagement programs to provide guidance to school districts that choose to offer programs directly or through a separate contract or interlocal agreement.

Requires every educational service district board to oversee the dropout reengagement system in its district and fulfill the responsibilities described in statewide model contracts and interlocal agreements.

Encourages workforce development councils to develop strategies for leveraging available workforce investment funding designated for youth with funding for dropout reengagement programs, participate in offering programs and services, and work with the educational service districts.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 13 Executive session in the House Committee on Education at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 18 ED - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1560-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Conway, Wood, and Simpson)

Regarding collective bargaining at institutions of higher education.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies collective bargaining provisions for employees of institutions of higher education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 4 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 18 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

**HB 1563-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby, Williams, Hasegawa, Simpson, and Morrell; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Determining the suitability of annuities sold in Washington.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Permits and sets standards for producers and insurers selling annuity products issued after the effective date of the act that ensure consumers purchase annuities suitable to their financial and insurance needs and life circumstances.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 3 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.

**HB 1565-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Kirby, Kelley, Williams, and Simpson; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Addressing business continuity plans for domestic insurers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires each domestic insurer to create and maintain a written business continuity plan identifying procedures relating to a local, state, or national emergency or significant business disruption.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Jan 29 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 12 Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1664-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Wood, Conway, Hinkle, and Ormsby)

Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of motorsports manufacturer and dealer franchise agreements.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions regarding termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of motorsports manufacturer and dealer franchise agreements.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 18 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

**HB 1669-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Hasegawa, Appleton, Miloscia, Warnick, Kirby, Williams, and Ormsby)

Addressing the deposit of public funds.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows the deposit of public funds into credit unions. Requires a credit union approved as a public depository by the public deposit protection commission to at all times pledge and segregate eligible securities in an amount equal to one hundred percent of all public funds on deposit in the public depository.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 19 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**HB 1704-S** by House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Conway, Chandler, Wood, and Santos)

Addressing the termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Addresses termination, cancellation, or nonrenewal of franchises between new motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 6 Public hearing in the House Committee on Commerce & Labor at 8:00 AM.
- Feb 18 CL - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- HB 1778-S** by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representative Blake; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife)
- Modifying various provisions of Title 77 RCW.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Modernizes certain provisions in Title 77 RCW regarding fish and wildlife.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.
- HB 1791-S** by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Hurst, Green, Dammeier, Morrell, Orwall, Walsh, and Wood; by request of Department of Corrections)
- Clarifying certain community custody and drug offender sentencing alternative sentencing provisions.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Clarifies sentencing provisions regarding certain community custody and drug offender sentencing alternatives.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 16 HS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 19 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- HB 1792-S** by House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Hurst, Morrell, Orwall, Green, Dammeier, Klippert, Walsh, Kelley, and Ormsby; by request of Department of Corrections)
- Establishing search and arrest authority provisions of offenders by department of corrections personnel.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Provides that, for the safety and security of department of corrections' staff, an offender may be required to submit to pat searches or other limited security searches by community corrections officers, correctional officers, and other agency approved staff, without reasonable cause, when present on department premises or at or preparing to enter department vehicles.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 9 Public hearing in the House Committee on Human Services at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 18 HS - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- HB 1838-S** by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Orcutt and Blake)
- Creating a raffle-only limited recreational rainbow trout fishery in Spirit Lake.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Authorizes the fish and wildlife commission to establish a limited recreational fishery for rainbow trout in Spirit Lake, located within the Mount St. Helens national volcanic monument. Authorizations to participate in the Spirit Lake fishery must be distributed through a raffle established by the fish and wildlife commission and conducted by the department of fish and wildlife.  
Requires the department of fish and wildlife to coordinate with the United States forest service in the design, monitoring, and implementation of any fishery located in Spirit Lake or elsewhere in the Mount St. Helens national volcanic monument, including the arrangement of access to Spirit Lake for the raffle winners.
- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.
- HB 1843-S** by House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Rodne, and Kenney; by request of Utilities & Transportation Commission and Washington State Patrol)
- Addressing motor carrier regulation and compliance review.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)  
Provides that the utilities and transportation commission is responsible for adoption and enforcement of safety requirements for vehicles operated by entities holding authority under RCW chapters 81.66 (transportation for persons with special needs), 81.68 (auto transportation companies), 81.70 (passenger charter carriers), and 81.77 (solid waste collection companies), and by household goods carriers holding authority under chapter 81.80 RCW (motor freight carriers).  
Requires all entities with authority under chapters 81.66, 81.68, 81.70, and 81.77 RCW, and all household goods carriers with authority under chapter 81.80 RCW, to apply for a department of transportation number by January 1, 2010.  
Requires motor vehicles operated by entities with authority under chapters 81.66, 81.68, 81.70, and 81.77 RCW, and by household goods carriers operating under chapter 81.80 RCW, to comply with rules regulating vehicle safety adopted by the utilities and transportation commission.  
Revises penalties for motor carriers.

Doubles the penalty amount for high-risk carriers that have repeat violations of the same violation during a follow-up compliance review.

Authorizes motor carriers, except for high-risk carriers, to request penalty mitigation.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 16 TR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.
- Feb 18 Executive session in the House Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

**HB 1886-S** by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representative Takko)

Concerning flood control districts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises construction and maintenance contract provisions and bidding procedures with regard to flood control districts.

Authorizes the annexation of contiguous territory outside of a special purpose district that receives services from the district.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 16 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

**HB 1887-S** by House Committee on Local Government & Housing (originally sponsored by Representative Takko)

Authorizing the annexation of contiguous territory outside of a diking district that receives services from the district.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes contiguous territory outside of a diking district that receives services from the district to be annexed into the district.

Provides that territory bounded by a river, lake, or other body of water is contiguous to a district that is also bounded by the same river, lake, or other body of water.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Local Government & Housing at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 16 LGH - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

**HB 1951-S** by House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Finn, Short, Takko, Walsh, Blake, Johnson, McCune, Pearson, Williams, and Van De Wege)

Regarding the operation and management of salmonid hatcheries.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the department of fish and wildlife to establish a program that uses public-private partnerships for the resumption or continued operation and management of state-owned salmonid hatcheries now closed or scheduled for closure during the 2009-2011 biennium.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Public hearing in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 AGNR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources at 1:30 PM.

**HB 2013-S** by House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Green, Roach, Kirby, Warnick, and Morrell)

Allowing the owner of a self-service storage facility to offer self-service storage insurance.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires an owner of a self-service storage facility that intends to offer self-service storage insurance to file a self-service storage specialty producer license application with the insurance commissioner. The license authorizes a self-service storage producer and its employees and authorized representatives to offer insurance covering the personal property stored at a facility.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 17 FII - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Executive session in the House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance at 8:00 AM.

**HB 2035-S** by House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness (originally sponsored by Representatives Klippert, O'Brien, Shea, Haler, Roach, Armstrong, Pearson, McCune, Condotta, Orwall, Ross, Hurst, Smith, Kristiansen, Kretz, Orcutt, Kelley, Warnick, and Angel)

Requiring registered sex and kidnapping offenders to submit information regarding any e-mail addresses and any web sites they create or operate.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes law enforcement to request the following information on any person required to register as a kidnapping offender or a sex offender: (1) The person's electronic mail address information or any other internet communication name or identity information including but not limited to instant message, chat, or social networking names or identities, if any; and

(2) The uniform resource locator of any personal web site created or operated by the person.

Requires the offender to provide that information if requested by law enforcement, or if the offender lacks a fixed residence.

Provides that the act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness at 10:00 AM.

Feb 18 PSEP - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.

**HB 2257** by Representatives Williams, Green, and Goodman

Prohibiting retail establishments from selling tobacco products where the establishment has a health care clinic on the premises.

Prohibits a retail establishment from selling tobacco products if a limited-service health care clinic is located within a larger retail establishment, including supermarkets, department stores, and drug stores.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

**HB 2258** by Representatives Roach, Clibborn, and Liias

Excluding vehicles that have been demolished by a licensed scrap processor from the definition of "junk vehicle."

Revises the definition of "junk vehicle" in chapter 46.79 RCW (hulk haulers and scrap processors) to exclude a vehicle that has been demolished by a licensed scrap processor.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 2259** by Representatives Pearson and Kristiansen

Regarding the application of the public records act to persons working or serving sentences at correctional facilities and criminal justice agencies.

Prohibits a person serving a criminal sentence in a state, local, or privately operated correctional facility from inspecting or copying any nonexempt public record.

Prohibits criminal justice facilities and agencies from releasing personal information for any employee, former employee, dependent of an employee or a former employee, or former spouse with custody of an employee or a former employee's dependents.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

**HB 2260** by Representatives McCoy, Warnick, Chandler, Nelson, and Liias

Protecting public safety by airport trapping.

Authorizes operators of public airports, operators of private airports open to the public, and the United States department of agriculture's animal and plant health inspection service-wildlife services to remove or kill wildlife, except threatened or endangered species, that are posing a threat to human health and safety on property owned or controlled by an airport open to the public.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

**HB 2261** by Representatives Sullivan, Priest, Hunter, Anderson, Maxwell, White, Quall, Liias, Dammeier, Rodne, Wallace, Pedersen, Kelley, Goodman, Springer, Hope, Nelson, Miloscia, Carlyle, Hunt, Morris, Morrell, Probst, Pettigrew, Eddy, Simpson, Kenney, Moeller, Smith, Condotta, McCoy, Kagi, Chase, Rolfes, Clibborn, Ormsby, Haler, and Cox

Concerning the state's education system.

Finds ample evidence of a need for continuing to refine the program of basic education that is funded by the state and delivered by school districts.

Declares an intent to: (1) Continue to review, evaluate, and revise the definition and funding of basic education in order to continue to fulfill the state obligation under Article IX of the state Constitution to define and fund a program of basic education for children residing in the state and attending public schools;

(2) Fulfill the state's obligation under Article IX to establish a general and uniform system of public schools and build upon the actions previously taken by the legislature to address the inequities that exist in the current system; and

(3) Begin a schedule for implementation of a redefined program of basic education and the resources necessary to support it, beginning in the 2011-12 school year.

Declares that when the system has the capacity to fully implement these enhancements they will be included in a definition and funding of basic education.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Education Appropriations.

**HB 2262** by Representatives Anderson and Rodne

Encouraging the provision of additional law enforcement services in the unincorporated areas of counties with a population exceeding one million five hundred thousand.

Prohibits the legislative authority of any county or any city from imposing an excise tax on the sale of real property in the unincorporated areas of the county for the county tax and in the corporate limits of the city for the city tax at a rate not exceeding one-quarter of one percent of the selling price, if the county's intergovernmental revenues for police operations as a percentage of all expenditures for police operations, exceeds forty percent.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Finance.

**HB 2263** by Representative Appleton

Adjusting sentences on the sentencing grid by twenty-five percent for certain crimes.

Adjusts sentences on the sentencing grid by twenty-five percent for certain crimes.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

**HB 2264** by Representative Williams

Regulating the sale of firearms at gun shows and events.

Modifies regulations on the sale of firearms at gun shows and events.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

**HB 2265** by Representative Williams

Removing the requirement that a violation of the prohibition on a person operating a motor vehicle while holding a wireless communications device to his or her ear be enforced only as a secondary action.

Eliminates the requirement that a violation of operating a motor vehicle while holding a wireless communications device be enforced only as a secondary action.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**HB 2266** by Representatives Simpson, Orcutt, Dunshee, Upthegrove, Priest, and Wallace

Concerning commercial salmon fishing gear.

Finds that: (1) The state has a vital interest in the recovery of wild, depressed, and endangered salmon and steelhead populations, and recognizes the need to manage commercial and recreational fisheries consistent with efforts to protect and recover wild salmon and steelhead; and

(2) An urgent need exists for the department of fish and wildlife to evaluate and recommend alternative types of salmon fishing gear that will minimize the impact of fishing on wild, depressed, and endangered salmon and steelhead populations.

Reaffirms the legislature's support for opportunities to optimize the economic benefits resulting from fishing in the state while protecting and recovering wild, depressed, and endangered salmon populations.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

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### House Joint Resolutions

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**HJR 4211** by Representatives Chandler, Condotta, Johnson, Haler, Ericksen, Warnick, Smith, Hinkle, Cox, and Parker

Ensuring the right of individuals to vote by secret ballot.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to ensure the right of individuals to vote by secret ballot.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

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### Senate Bills

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**SB 5023-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation

(originally sponsored by Senators Honeyford and Swecker)

Regulating fire suppression.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Directs the utilities and transportation commission to establish regulations to minimize the risk of fire resulting from railroad operations or maintenance.

Prohibits a person from operating railroad equipment or performing rail maintenance without complying with requirements adopted by the utilities and transportation commission to minimize the risk of fire.

Prescribes penalties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 22 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5075-S** by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation (originally sponsored by Senators Hatfield, Hewitt, Kilmer, and Shin; by request of Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development)

Concerning the community economic revitalization board's project selection criteria.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies wage criteria used by the community economic revitalization board in determining project selection.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 4 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 8:00 AM.

Feb 9 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 EDTI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5228-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen and Morton)

Regarding construction projects by county forces.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Separates counties into four groups for the purpose of calculating the amount of road construction a county may do using county forces and provides a formula to determine the maximum amount.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 26 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.

Feb 19 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5296-S** by Senate Committee on Government

Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Delvin and Hewitt)

Regarding the authority of towns, cities, and counties to form public facilities districts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes the legislative authorities of any contiguous group of towns or cities all with a population of at least forty thousand and bordering the Columbia river to enter into an agreement under chapter 39.34 RCW (interlocal cooperation act) for the creation and operation of a public facilities district notwithstanding the fact that one or more of those towns or cities previously have formed one or more public facilities districts within the geographic boundaries of the additional public facilities district.

Authorizes a public facilities district created in section 1 (1)(e) of the act to provide in the agreement providing for its creation and operation, that the district must be governed by a board of directors appointed under section 1 (3)(b) or (c) of the act, or by a board of directors of not more than nine members who are also members of the legislative authorities or governing boards of the governmental entities creating that public facilities district or the public facilities districts, or both, previously formed by those governmental entities.

Prohibits a public facilities district formed under section 1 (1)(e) of the act from imposing a sales and use tax authorized in section 3 (2) of the act at a rate that exceeds two-tenths of one percent minus the rate of the highest tax authorized by section 3 (2) of the act that is imposed by any other public facilities district within its boundaries.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 7:45 AM.  
Feb 19 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5449-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Hobbs, McDermott, Oemig, Jarrett, and Kohl-Welles)

Regarding establishing and meeting graduation and reengagement goals.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares it is the goal of the state that by 2020: (1) Ninety-five percent of students must graduate from high school in four years; and

(2) Sixty percent of youth who have dropped out of school must be reengaged in education and be college and work ready.

Requires the state board of education to: (1) Establish annual graduation rate targets for schools and school districts in order to meet the graduation rate goal;

(2) Establish annual targets for youth who have dropped out of school in order to meet the reengagement goal; and

(3) In consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, make recommendations to the legislature on a focused assistance program and incentives for school districts to improve their high school graduation rate.

Requires the workforce training and education coordinating board, the state board for community and

technical colleges, the employment security department, the department of community, trade, and economic development, the department of health, the department of social and health services, and the family policy council to collaborate with other state agencies and organizations to meet state graduation rate goals and help reduce the dropout rate.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.  
Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5461-S** by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senator Haugen)

Concerning reserve account and study requirements for condominium associations.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Confirms that a condominium association with ten or fewer condominium owners is not required to conduct a reserve account study or establish a reserve account if two-thirds of the owners agree to exempt the association from these requirements.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 10:00 AM.  
Feb 19 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5499-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Jarrett, Swecker, Haugen, Marr, and Shin; by request of Department of Transportation)

Concerning bond amounts for department of transportation highway contracts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows the department of transportation to authorize bonds in an amount less than the full contract price of a project on highway construction contracts administered by the department of transportation with an estimated contract price of two hundred fifty million dollars or more.

Expires June 30, 2016.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 16 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 3:30 PM.  
Feb 19 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5526-S** by Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators Fairley, Roach, Zarelli, Murray,

Kilmer, Shin, and Kohl-Welles; by request of University of Washington)

Modifying disclosure requirements for private investment information received by the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to clarify provisions governing disclosure of information related to University of Washington endowment investments, and thereby improve the university's ability to maximize the performance of its endowment portfolio.

Requires the University of Washington to: (1) Disclose the names and commitment amounts of the private funds in which it is invested and the aggregate quarterly performance results for its portfolio of investments in such funds;

(2) Have formal policies addressing conflicts of interest in regard to the private funds in which the endowment is invested; and

(3) Post these policies on their public web site.

Exempts from public disclosure, certain financial and commercial information submitted to or obtained by the University of Washington, other than information the university is required to disclose under section 2 of the act, when the information relates to investments in private funds, to the extent that such information, if revealed, would reasonably be expected to result in loss to the University of Washington consolidated endowment fund or to result in private loss to the providers of this information.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 19 HEWD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5556-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Carrell, and Kauffman)

Concerning toll enforcement for infractions detected through the use of a photo enforcement system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits the reduction of toll penalties for infractions detected through the use of a photo enforcement system.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 19 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5566-S** by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Regala and Prentice; by request of Department of Revenue)

Harmonizing excise tax statutes with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement in regards to direct sellers, telecommunications ancillary services, commercial parking taxes, and exemption certificates.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Harmonizes excise tax statutes with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement in regards to direct sellers, telecommunications ancillary services, commercial parking taxes, and exemption certificates.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 19 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5601-S** by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senator Franklin)

Regulating speech-language pathology assistants.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Regulates speech-language pathology assistants.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 19 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
And refer to Ways & Means.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
On motion, referred to Rules.

**SB 5608-S** by Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Pflug, Fairley, Regala, Marr, and Kohl-Welles)

Concerning genetic counselors.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes genetic counselors as a new health profession to be licensed by the department of health.

Creates the advisory committee on genetic counseling.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 19 HEA - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
And refer to Ways & Means.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
On motion, referred to Rules.

**SB 5665-S** by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Berkey, Benton, Franklin, Parlette, Hobbs, and Shin)

Authorizing a joint self-insurance program for two or more affordable housing entities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides authority for two or more affordable housing entities to participate in a joint self-insurance program covering property or liability risks.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 11 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 3:30 PM.
- Feb 19 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5671-S** by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance (originally sponsored by Senators Berkey, Franklin, Shin, and Haugen; by request of Insurance Commissioner)

Determining the suitability of annuities sold in Washington.  
(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Permits and sets standards for producers and insurers selling annuity products issued after the effective date of the act that ensure consumers purchase annuities suitable to their financial and insurance needs and life circumstances.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 10 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Housing & Insurance at 10:00 AM.

Feb 19 FIHI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5676-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Rockefeller, Jarrett, Fairley, Hobbs, Schoesler, and Shin; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction)

Providing for career and technical education opportunities for middle school students.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that a middle school that receives approval from the office of the superintendent of public instruction to provide a career and technical program in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics directly to students shall receive funding at the same rate as a high school operating a similar program. Additionally, a middle school that provides a hands- on experience in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics with an integrated curriculum of academic content and career and technical education, and includes a career and technical education exploratory component shall also qualify for the career and technical education funding.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Minority; do not pass.

Referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5691-S** by Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation (originally sponsored by Senators Brandland, Jacobsen, Shin, and Parlette)

Improving boating programs.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to: (1) Begin the process of improving the recreational boating programs of the state of Washington by: (a) quantifying the various individual program needs; (b) reviewing boating revenues and expenditures; (c)

developing program standards and expectations; and (d) providing options for increasing administrative efficiencies;

(2) Both increase opportunities for and enjoyment of recreational boating;

(3) Reduce boating fatalities and injuries; and

(4) Increase the general safety of Washington's waterways.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Ocean & Recreation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 NROR - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

And refer to Ways & Means.

Referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5704-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Swecker, Becker, Stevens, and Roach)

Concerning creation of a flood district by three or more counties.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a process for creation of a flood district by three or more counties.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 17 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5705-S** by Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senator Swecker)

Regarding voting rights in special districts.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies provisions regarding voting rights in special districts.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 17 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 GO - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5724-S** by Senate Committee on Environment, Water & Energy (originally sponsored by Senator Pridemore)

Concerning the generation of electricity from biomass energy that is a renewable resource.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Authorizes a county legislative authority of a county where a public utility district owns and operates a plant or system for the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric energy for sale within the county to: (1) Construct, purchase, acquire, operate, and maintain a facility to

generate electricity from biomass energy that is a renewable resource under RCW 19.285.030; and

(2) Regulate and control the use, distribution, sale, and price of the electricity produced.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 17 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 10:00 AM.

Feb 19 EWE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5795-S** by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer and Franklin)

Modifying the use of funds from the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Prohibits toll charges, other revenues, and interest from the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account from being used to pay for costs that do not contribute directly to the financing, operation, maintenance, management, and necessary repairs of the tolled facility, as determined by rule by the transportation commission.

Requires the department of transportation to make detailed quarterly expenditure reports available to the transportation commission and to the public on the department's web site using current department resources.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Transportation at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5880-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Oemig, Hobbs, and McDermott)

Providing flexibility in the education system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides flexibility in the education system to reduce costs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 16 Executive session in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5889-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning &

K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Hobbs, McAuliffe, McDermott, and Oemig)

Providing flexibility in the education system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides flexibility in the education system to reduce costs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.

Feb 16 Executive session in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.

Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5916-S** by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Rockefeller, Kauffman, Pridemore, Keiser, Marr, Hatfield, Delvin, Honeyford, Schoesler, and Hewitt)

Authorizing the department of information services to engage in high-speed internet adoption, deployment, and digital inclusion activities.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares it is essential that the legislature authorize a broadband programs management structure and an advisory council capable of developing and ensuring the implementation of statewide broadband strategies.

Provides that the authority for overseeing broadband adoption and deployment efforts in the state is vested in the department of information services.

Authorizes the department of information services to apply for and oversee implementation of federally funded or mandated broadband programs and to adopt rules to administer the programs.

Allows a business and occupation tax credit to a telecommunications company in an amount equal to fifty percent of contributions made in any fiscal year directly to the Washington community technology opportunity account created in RCW 28B.32.030.

Requires leasehold excise taxes collected from a telecommunications company as a result of the company's leasehold interest in publicly owned property to be deposited in the Washington community technology opportunity account and to be used to fund the community technology opportunity program.

Requires the department of information services to reconvene the high-speed internet work group previously established by chapter 262, Laws of 2008. The work group is renamed the advisory council on digital inclusion and is an advisory group to the department.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Trade & Innovation at 10:00 AM.

Feb 19 EDTI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
And refer to Ways & Means.  
Referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5921-S** by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation (originally sponsored by Senators Rockefeller, Pridemore, Ranker, Kline, and Kohl-Welles)

Creating a clean energy leadership initiative.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the office of the governor to create a clean energy leadership initiative in collaboration with a statewide, public-private alliance focused specifically on growing the clean energy technology sector in Washington state. The clean energy leadership initiative is to be supported by public and private resources including, to the extent available, the resources of the state energy office and Washington State University's energy program.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 10 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Environment and Water & Energy at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 19 EDTI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

**SB 5924-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators McAuliffe, Oemig, Kilmer, and McDermott)

Changing Running Start provisions.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the state board for community and technical colleges, in collaboration with the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the higher education coordinating board, to develop long-term funding proposals to support running start that may include but not be limited to student tuition and performance funding.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 9 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 1:30 PM.
- Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
Minority; without recommendation.  
On motion, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 5941-S** by Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Oemig, Kastama, Jarrett, McAuliffe, Marr, Hobbs, and Tom)

Regarding a comprehensive education data improvement system.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to establish a comprehensive education data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data to monitor student progress, assure educator quality, monitor and analyze the costs of programs, provide for financial integrity and accountability, and have the capability to link across these various data components by student, by class, by teacher, by school, by district, and statewide.

Establishes a data governance group within the educational data center to assist in the design and

implementation of an education data improvement system for financial, student, and educator data.

Requires the office of financial management to take all actions necessary to secure federal funds to implement the act.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 12 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education at 10:00 AM.
- Feb 19 EDU - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.  
And refer to Ways & Means.  
Minority; do not pass.  
Referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6057** by Senators Zarelli, Honeyford, McCaslin, King, Morton, Hewitt, Stevens, Benton, and Holmquist

Concerning business and occupation tax exemptions for new businesses.

Provides a business and occupation tax exemption for a new business.

Expires July 1, 2013.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6058** by Senator Swecker

Funding a Lewis county watershed project.

Makes appropriations for development of the Lewis county watershed planning and economic development demonstration project.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 First reading, referred to Environment, Water & Energy.

**SB 6059** by Senator Regala

Excluding vehicles that have been demolished by a licensed scrap processor from the definition of "junk vehicle."

Revises the definition of "junk vehicle" in chapter 46.79 RCW (hulk haulers and scrap processors) to exclude a vehicle that has been demolished by a licensed scrap processor.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6060** by Senator Jacobsen

Relating to hunting and fishing licenses.

Introduced by title and introductory section only.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

**SB 6061** by Senators Kilmer, Ranker, and Rockefeller

Modernizing the Washington state ferry system.

Improves Washington state ferry service by modernizing ferry fleet and organization.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.

**SB 6062** by Senators Tom, Prentice, McDermott, Fairley, McAuliffe, Kauffman, Jarrett, Marr, Hobbs, Kline, Fraser, Oemig, Keiser, Shin, and Kilmer

Exempting certain foreclosure sales from the real estate excise tax.

Provides a real estate excise tax exemption on certain foreclosure sales.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

**SB 6063** by Senators Ranker and Hatfield

Concerning eligibility of lands used for equestrian related activities for current use valuation programs.

Addresses eligibility of lands used for equestrian related activities for current use valuation programs.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Rural Economic Development.

**SB 6064** by Senators Jarrett, Murray, Marr, Swecker, Sheldon, Haugen, and Hewitt

Establishing transportation accountability regions and regional transportation accountability boards.

Improves regional transportation infrastructure for the benefit of citizens, the economy, and the environment by reducing fossil fuel use and carbon emissions and increasing transportation efficiency.

Consolidates several governmental functions related to transportation planning and funding into a single governmental entity to coordinate and prioritize transportation planning and funding decisions.

Increases accountability to citizens by requiring direct election of transportation decision makers and voter approval for transportation taxes and fees.

-- 2009 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 19 First reading, referred to Transportation.